

**Amendments To The Claims:**

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- 1 1. (Previously amended) A cordless telephone, comprising:  
2 a base unit, including a paging mechanism; and  
3 a handset, including an alerting mechanism responsive to the paging  
4 mechanism,  
5 wherein at least one of the base unit and the handset includes a page adjusting  
6 mechanism to affect a characteristic of a page alerting signal output from the  
7 alerting mechanism based on a condition.
- 1 2. (Cancelled)
- 1 3. (Cancelled)
- 1 4. (Cancelled)
- 1 5. (Original) A cordless telephone as recited in claim 1, wherein the adjusting  
2 mechanism affects the alerting signal to have a duration based on an estimate of  
3 the distance between the base unit and the handset.
- 1 6. (Original) A cordless telephone as recited in claim 1, wherein the adjusting  
2 mechanism affects the alerting signal to have a volume based on an estimate of  
3 the distance between the base unit and the handset.
- 1 7. (Original) A cordless telephone as recited in claim 1, wherein the adjusting  
2 mechanism affects the alerting signal to have a particular tonal quality based on  
3 an estimate of the distance between the base unit and the handset.
- 1 8. (Cancelled)
- 1 9. (Cancelled)
- 1 10. (Cancelled)
- 1 11. (Cancelled)
- 1 12. (Cancelled)

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1 18. (Cancelled)

1 19. (Cancelled)

1 20. (Cancelled)

1 21. (Cancelled)

1 22. (Cancelled)

1 23. (Previously amended) A method of affecting an alerting signal of a  
2 telephone handset, comprising the steps of:

3 sensing a condition related to a location of the handset; and

4 affecting a characteristic of the alerting signal based on the sensed

5 condition, wherein the sensed condition is a signal delay measurement.

1 24. (Cancelled)

1 25. (Cancelled)

1 26. (Cancelled)

1 27. (Cancelled)

1 28. (Cancelled)

1 29. (Cancelled)

1 30. (Cancelled)

1 31. (Previously amended) A method of affecting an alerting signal of a  
2 telephone handset, comprising the steps of:  
3 sensing a condition related to a location of the handset; and  
4 affecting a characteristic of the alerting signal based on the sensed  
5 condition, wherein the location is sensed relative to a corresponding base unit.

1 32. (Cancelled)

1 33. (Previously amended) A method of affecting an alerting signal of a  
2 telephone handset, comprising the steps of:  
3 sensing a condition related to a location of the handset; and  
4 affecting a characteristic of the alerting signal based on the sensed  
5 condition, wherein the characteristic is one of duration, volume and tonal quality.

1 34. (Previously amended) A method of affecting an alerting signal of a  
2 telephone handset, comprising the steps of:  
3 sensing a condition related to a location of the handset; and  
4 affecting a characteristic of the alerting signal based on the sensed  
5 condition, wherein the condition is a received signal strength indication.

1 35. (Currently amended) A method as recited in claim 34, wherein the  
2 condition is a received signal strength indication related to a signal from the a  
3 wireless transceiver.

1 36. (Previously added) A method as recited in claim 35, wherein the wireless  
2 transceiver is part of a base unit associated with the handset.

1 37. (Previously added) A method as recited in claim 36, wherein the base unit  
2 is a cordless telephone base unit.

1 38. (Cancelled)

2 39. (Previously amended) A method as recited in claim 23, wherein the  
3 condition is a signal delay measurement related to a signal from a wireless  
4 transceiver.

1 40. (Previously added) A method as recited in claim 39, wherein the wireless  
2 transceiver is part of a base unit associated with the handset.

1 41. (Previously added ) A method as recited in claim 40, wherein the base unit  
2 is a cordless telephone base unit.

1 42. (Previously amended) A method of affecting an alerting signal of a  
2 telephone handset, comprising the steps of:  
3 sensing a condition related to a location of the handset; and  
4 affecting a characteristic of the alerting signal based on the sensed  
5 condition, wherein the condition is an error related measurement.

1 43. (Previously amended) A method as recited in claim 42, wherein the  
2 condition is an error related measurement related to a signal from a wireless  
3 transceiver.

1 44. (Previously amended) A method as recited in claim 43, wherein the  
2 wireless transceiver is part of a base unit associated with the handset.

1 45 (Previously added) A method as recited in claim 44, wherein the base unit  
2 is a cordless telephone base unit.